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1. ☒ The amendment filed on 04 December 2006 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

a) ☐ entered.

b) ☐ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.

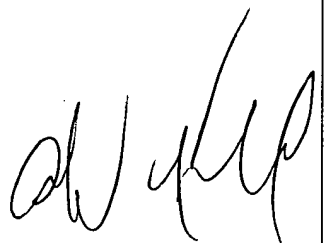
c) ☐ disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.

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d) ☐ disapproved. See explanation below.

e) ☒ entered in part. See explanation below.

*Claim 15 has been approved for entering. The claims 41-52 have not been approved because the claims change scope of invention.*



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